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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Attila Grauzer, et al. Examiner: Unknown  
Serial No. 10/623,223 Group Art Unit: 3713  
Filed: July 17, 2004 Docket No. PA0863.ap.US  
Title: CARD SHUFFLER WITH CARD RANK AND VALUE READING

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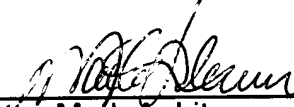
- ☒ Preliminary Amendment (3 pages)
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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**IN THE SPECIFICATION**

Please amend page 1, lines 5-8 as follows. A clean copy of the paragraph in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.121 at the end of this amendment:

**Related Applications:**

This application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/261,166, filed on September 27, 2002, which in turn is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/128,532, filed on April 23, 2002, now U.S. Patent 6,651,982, which in turn is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/967,502, filed September 28, 2001, now U.S. Patent No. 6,651,981.